

Inventory of the

Baldwin Family
DeKalb, Illinois

Papers

In the

Regional History Center

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INTRODUCTION

The Baldwin Family Papers were deposited in the Northern Illinois University Archives in the late 1960's. University Archivist J. Joseph Bauxar transferred the collection to the Northern Illinois Regional History Center in June 1978.

Property rights in the collection belong to the Regional History Center; literary rights are dedicated to the public. There are no restrictions on access to materials in the collection.

Linear feet of shelf space: 1
 Number of containers: 2 boxes
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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Baldwin Family Papers consist of the private and business papers of Edwin S. Baldwin, his brother George W. Baldwin and their families. Box one contains one file folder of family letters, a diary, and numerous bills and tax receipts dating from the 1890's to the mid twentieth century. Printed material documenting Masonic and Shriner activity during this period are also included in Box one. Box two includes dance programs, calling cards, glass plate negatives, photographs and various books.

HISTORICAL SKETCH

Edwin W. Baldwin (1864-1943) and his brother George W. Baldwin resided in DeKalb. E.W. Baldwin was an engineer and co-owner with G.W. Baldwin of a farm west of DeKalb. In 1898 E.W. Baldwin married Alice Taylor. Their son, E.W. , Jr. was born in 1910 and became a civil engineer upon graduation from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana. E.W. Baldwin, Sr. and his wife were members of the American Free and Accepted Masons and Eastern Star, respectively.

George W. Baldwin was chief cashier for the Haish State Bank. His wife was Adeline Taylor. They had a daughter, Helen, who became a teacher and taught in Arlington Heights (1920-21). G.W. Baldwin was a member of the Rockford Shriners.

SUBJECT TRACINGS

Baldwin Family
 DeKalb
 Diaries, 1870-1909
 Family Life, History

COLLECTION INVENTORY

<u>BOX</u>	<u>FOLDER</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
1	1	Baldwin Family letters, 1889-1943
	2	George Mould letter to Family, (?) 1853
	3	George W. Baldwin Diary, 1885-1886
	4	Baldwin Farm sale bill 1891
	5	E.W. Baldwin business papers, 1892-1942
	6	G.W. Baldwin bills, 1892
	7	Helen Baldwin-bills, 1921
	8	Baldwin Family-assorted bills, 1892-1945
	9	Baldwin Farm records, 1916-1942
	10	Baldwin Family-invitations and announcements
	11	E.W. and Alice Baldwin-Mason and Eastern Star material
	12	George W. Baldwin-Shriner material
	13	Baldwin Family academic material
	14-15	Baldwin Family printed material
	16	Mortgages-Dakota Territory [<i>missing</i>]
	17	George and Adaline Baldwin Obituaries, 1931, 1954
		<u>ENVELOPE</u>
2	1	Unidentified photographs (3)
	2-11	Glass Plate Negatives of Helen Baldwin, 1899, n.d. (16)
	12	Calling Cards (31)
	13-18	Dance Programs (43)
	19	<u>The Easy Instructor, or A New method of Teaching Sacred Harmony</u> by William Little and William Smith, 1818.
	20	<u>A Discourse Delivered in the Presbyterian Church of Sauquoit, on the Occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Organization of the Church</u> by Rev. J.N. McGiffert, January 29, 1860
		<u>Address Delivered Before the Sauquoit Valley Cemetery Association, at the Consecration of Lawn Hill Cemetery</u> by Rev. Spencer M. Rice, October 16, 1851